

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are now pending in the application. Minor amendments have been made to the title to simply overcome the objections to the specification. The amendments to the claims contained herein are of equivalent scope as originally filed and, thus, are not a narrowing amendment. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

SPECIFICATION

The title stands objected to for certain informalities. Applicant has amended the title according to the Examiner's suggestions. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection are respectfully requested.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-4 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Adan (U.S. Pat. No. 6,288,425). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Adan is directed generally towards a silicon-on-insulator field effect transistor. The transistor includes a gate region formed on a semiconductor layer. A source region and a drain region are spaced apart by a channel region.

The present invention includes a first extension region that extends from a source region and a second extension region that extends from a drain region. The first and second extension regions are formed independently of the source and drain regions. The Examiner asserts that Adan teaches first and second extension regions. However, the first and second extension regions of Adan are integrally formed with the source and drain regions (Adan, Figure 1). To further clarify the invention, Applicant

amends claim 1 to call for the first and second extension regions to be formed independently of the source and drain regions.

Adan fails to teach or disclose first and second extension regions formed independently of source and drain regions. At best, Adan discloses first and second extension regions integrally formed with the source and drain regions. Therefore, Applicant believes that independent claim 1 and its corresponding dependent claims are not anticipated and, therefore, in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

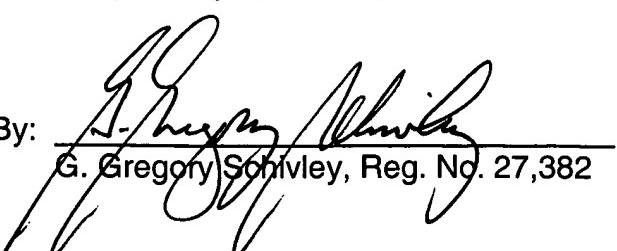
It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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